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METHYLTRANSFERASE AS TARGET FOR HERBICIDES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Communication dated March 24, 2009, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.